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Dear Sir:

This amendment is responsive to the Office Action dated May 31, 2006 for which a three-month period for response was given making this response due on or before August 31, 2006. Accordingly, this response is timely filed.

In view of the remarks put forth below, reconsideration and allowance are respectfully requested.